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In re prior application of: Richard Liu et al.

Application No.: 10/826,052

Group No.: 1621

Filed: April, 15, 2004

Examiner: Elvis O. Price

For: Method for Purifying Spent Acid

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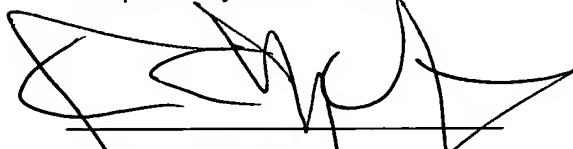
This is in response to the Office Action dated 06/15/2005.

Claims 1-20 of the present application stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3, 9-11 and 17 of U.S. Patent No. 6,818,799.

Applicant provides herewith a *Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a "Prior" Patent* disclaiming the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the present application which would extend beyond the expiration of the full statutory period of U.S. Patent No. 6,818,799, which should overcome the rejection.

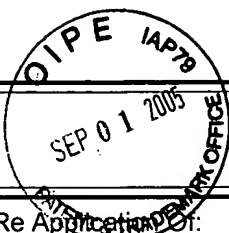
Applicant submits that all claims in the present application should now be in condition for allowance and requests that the examiner now allow claims 1-20 in the present application.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Title: **METHOD FOR PURIFYING SPENT ACID**

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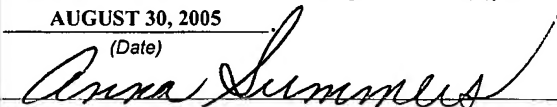
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